

# THE GRAPEVINE

## JERMAINE'S BIRTHDAY! DAVID'S AWARD! BRADYS' LP!!!

WHEN THE jumpin', jivin' **J5** arrived at **SPEC** and **16's** photo studios in Hollywood for a series of shootings—they were in for a big surprise! Eileen Goldfarb, **SPEC's** Hollywood Editor, had found out that it was **Jermaine's** birthday—and as a special surprise she showed up with a great big 17th birthday cake for **Jermaine Lajaune Jackson!** After posing prettily with Jermaine's cake, the **J5** started to dive in—but **Mother Jackson** had a better idea. "I'm taking this home for the party this afternoon," say ith she—and she **did!** Congratulations—and **many** happy returns to Jermaine!!

Congrats to **DAVID CASSIDY** for winning the Golden Apple Award for Newcomer Of The Year, presented by the Hollywood's Women's Press Club. That means, m'dears, that darling David is the most cooperative and helpful of all young teen performers when it comes to photo sessions and interviews!!

**THE BRADY BUNCH** will have a brand new Paramount Records LP in release sometime in April! Stay tuned to **SPEC** and **16** for further info. By the way, didja know that each one of **The Brady Bunch** kids reads every single letter sent to them individually? And outside their "schoolroom" on the lot at Paramount Pictures, the **BB** have a **huge** bulletin board featuring **all** of the letters and pictures sent to them by fans and friends—like **you!**

Whither **DSers**?? For those of you who still miss those great **Dark Shadows** regulars, here's some up-to-date information on two of them: **David Selby** is starring in an Off-Broadway play called **Sticks And Bones** in which he plays a soldier just back from Vietnam and does a very moving performance; **Denise "Amy" Nickerson** is still a regular on the soap opera **Search For Tomorrow**. She also just finished a repertory theatre company production of **The Miracle Worker** in Springfield, Mass. . . . **Paul McCartney** is the superstar who is being sought for the starring role in the movie production of **Jesus Christ Superstar**. . . . And speaking of superstars, don'tcha dare miss **Rod Stewart & the Faces'** great new Warner Brothers LP **A Nod Is As Good As A Wink—To A Blind Horse**, which includes their hit single **Stay With Me**. . . . **Blood, Sweat & Tears** really tore the place apart at their recent sell-out series of concerts at New York City's Lincoln Center. 'Mongst the highlights of the evening was the piano improvisation of **Dick Halligan**—who also plays organ, flute, trombone—on **God Bless The Child**. Of course, **BST** leader-guitarist **Steve Katz** wiped everybody out with his fantastic playing and singing.



Globe winner David.



J5 & Birthday Cake



Rod (second from right) & Faces.



Blood, Sweat & Tears (Katz, second from left; Halligan, far right).